

A PAGE FOR WOMEN AND THE HOME

THE DAILY SHORT STORY

Aunt Martha Intervenes.

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"AND they do say they came on the same train together!" said Mrs. Prince excitedly, as she wiped her hands on her gingham apron. "Not but that Ray Palmer's done enough things in his life to make us expect anything—ever if he is my own nephew—but it does beat all his car's on—and him engaged to that little Madge Townes."

"But what difference does it make, Mrs. Prince, if Angela did happen to come home at the same time he did, if he didn't know she was coming?" queried Mrs. Thompson gently, as she half rose from the kitchen chair.

"Well, now, Maria Thompson! What difference would it make to you if your husband came all the way from Salem with Abby Norton? There! I guess you see it now! Well, it's even worse for Ray Palmer to come with that flirty Angela Greer—probably setting right beside her all the way too. I know that boy and that girl. And even if he is my own nephew, I ain't going to let Madge break her heart over his goin' on!"

"I call that real good, now. You'll have to hustle, though, if you keep Madge from hearin' it."

"Who's goin' to keep her from hearin' it, I'd like to know?" rejoined Mrs. Prince.

"Why, you just said—" faltered her neighbor.

"Said I wasn't goin' to have her break her heart over my worthless nephew, and no more I ain't. I'm goin' right over and tell her now, before it's too late."

"But, Mrs. Prince, what if that should break 'em up?" Mrs. Thompson's mild blue eyes opened wide in amazement.

"Let it! Better now! What's more, I'm goin' to tell Madge ever last thing Ray Palmer ever done. And I'm goin' to take pa and Annie along, too, 'cause they can back me up!"

Mrs. Thompson flutteringly arose with, "Right, ain't you the limit—all ways lookin' after others."

"Well, when others need lookin' after, and ain't got the foot sense to do it themselves, I'm willin' to do my duty, however unpleasant it may be for me." Mrs. Prince followed her departing visitor to the kitchen door and admonished her as she passed down the path: "Now, don't you go and say anything to them, Maria Thompson. You know you never get things straight. You just let me tend to them folks, and I'll tend to 'em right."

"Him! It's ten o'clock!" mused Mrs. Prince, as she turned back to her work. "Moby I better go over to Townes' now, 'thout waitin' for pa and Annie. I can send them over after dinner." And, changing her soiled apron for a stiffly starched clean one, she tramped away with the determination of a martyr to his country's cause.

Madge was trilling a rollicking song as her caller reached the back gate. Mrs. Sniffed. "Humph! She'll slug a nother tune when she hears about Ray Palmer."

The sound of her footsteps on the back porch brought Madge to the door with a merry smile. "Oh, do come in, Dick was up and away this morning before I was awake. It was late when I went to sleep and I did not wake until nearly noon when Eliene's maid brought me my coffee and told me my doctor was waiting to see me. I dressed hastily and went out on the sun-dried deck."

"This is an unexpected pleasure, doctor," said.

"Well, I wanted to see how my patient stood the excitement of last night."

"How did you hear about it?" I asked quickly.

"The papers are full of it this morning. I met Mr. Waverly on my way up and he looked none the worse for his experience. You, however, are not showing the same symptoms of health." His cool fingers felt my pulse. "It is running like a mill," he remarked, and your cheeks are flushed with fever. I am not sure that this is the place for you, dear lady."

"Oh, doctor, don't send me home," I said impulsively, then I stopped, for it seemed that I had told him all my secrets. "You see," I explained impulsively, "when I go back home I want to go back with the feeling that I am no longer an invalid."

"You are not physically an invalid any longer," he said decidedly, "but I confess I am not quite satisfied with your mental condition."

"Oh, doctor," I said before, I thought how it would sound, "why did you not kill me instead of letting me live?"

The doctor smiled indulgently. "Now we are getting to the root of the matter," he remarked. "I am not a neurologist, but I should say you have had a bad case of nervousness complicated by the shock of last night. You should have left the boat last night. I'll tell your husband to come and get you today."

I burst into tears.

"Here what does this mean," he said kindly.

"Oh, doctor, I don't want to go home—and, well, I should like to go home, but I just can't do it."

"That is not very lucid," he answered, "but doctors learn to understand half-reported symptoms. Now I am going to give you just one more prescription, and then if you are not perfectly well in mind and body after you have given it a fair trial, I am going to give you up."

"Please don't do that," I implored. "I know I must seem like a silly fool to you, doctor, but I am not to tell."

TO PLEASE THE SCHOOL GIRL



(By BETTY BROWN.)

The college girl may love her studies, but she is by means indifferent to the styles.

During the crisp autumn days many smart tailored suits will be seen on the college campus. Because it has good style and youthful simplicity this Fashion Art sketch is recommended to the attention of her highness the school girl.

Aunt Martha! she welcomed her. "I'm going to call you 'aunt' now, for Ray says I'll have to after we are married, and I might as well get in practice now."

The greeting was so winsome that for a moment the vigorous old lady was abashed.

"Why, you look all tired out," Madge went on. "Your face is as red as anything! No, I'm not going to let you even talk, yet," as Mrs. Prince attempted to take charge of the conversation. "You sit right down in that big, easy rocker, and use this fan. And I want you to try these doughnuts. They're honey doughnuts, like you make you know. Ray copied that recipe for me. Do you remember him asking you how to make them one day last week? He says I've got to learn to cook like you. Of course, I know these aren't as good as those you make, but I'm hoping I'll learn. But Ray says I can't expect to acquire your skill in a few months."

Mrs. Prince unaccountably choked over a bite of one of the crisp crullers. "Why—live!—they're good, Madge," she finally managed. "I didn't know Ray ever cared much about my cooking. He always—"

"I came over to talk about Ray,"

you the other half of the symptoms. I just can't make up my mind to live with my husband as his wife."

I saw a peculiar gleam come into the doctor's eyes.

"Why not? Is he unkind to you?"

"No, no, on the contrary he is very kind to me."

"Did you ever love him?"

"Once, passionately."

"When did you find that your love was dead?"

"Since you made me well."

"Did nothing happen before that which might have had some bearing on your feelings at this time?"

"Yes," I made no other explanation, and he asked none, but in a minute he mentioned Malcolm Stuart. He observed me closely.

"I think our friend, Mr. Stuart, is leaving soon on a cruise," he said.

"His new yacht was launched yesterday."

"And the name?"

"Salvia."

Even that, little book, did not quicken my pulse and with great joy I realized that I did not love Dick, neither was in love with any other man."

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

HEALTH HINTS

Many people consider typhoid fever as a non-communicable disease, comparatively speaking, and think no special methods of prevention are required in its treatment.

No more unfortunate idea could be held. The germ that causes the disease is present in the secretions of the patient's body. It is present in the blood the first week and in the intestinal contents early in the disease. It remains permanently located in the small intestines throughout the long drawn-out stage of fever and in some cases for many months after complete recovery.

During all this time the patient is necessarily infective and a source of danger to his attendants and others with whom he may come in contact. The typhoid germ readily accommodates itself to outside conditions and may exist for long periods of time in milk, water, fruits, vegetables and infected food, as well as upon plates, cups and other dishes.

It has been shown as the result of times more frequent in attendants up-investigations in hospitals and institutions that typhoid fever is many on the disease than among the general population, the opportunities for contact and infection being present in this instance.

One of the most valuable and effective precautionary measures against the spread of the disease, typhoid vaccination, seldom is carried out among private individuals. Yet it is safe and effective.

No better testimony to the value of typhoid vaccination in preventing typhoid fever has been shown than the almost complete absence of the disease among the well typhoid-inoculated troops of the European armies and also in our own army doing duty on the Mexican border.

State Clubwomen Endorse Suffrage

WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 23.—The thirteenth annual convention of the Women's Clubs of West Virginia closed their sessions here yesterday by re-electing Mrs. Joseph G. Cochran, of Parkersburg, president. All other officers were also re-elected. Charleston was selected as the next convention city.

The convention went on record as favoring woman suffrage, strict censorship of "movie" films, laws governing male and female labor and as against newspapers which publish literature detrimental to the minds of children.

Improved Ice Cream Freezer. The vacuum principle has been applied to an ice cream freezer that freezes its contents automatically in half an hour and keeps it frozen eight hours.

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HERE'S LATEST ICE SKATING COAT



The latest ice skating coat, shown here, is of brown broadcloth with deep shawl collar of seal and big pockets. Miss Gertrude Stone, one of America's most daring ice skaters, is its introducer. The hat is called a "Kill-larney bonnet."

SHE IS MARRIED NOW. WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 23.—A few months ago Miss Dorothy Williams of Marlinton, W. Va., wrote her name on a railroad car standing on a sidetrack. The car passed through Rochester, N. Y., where Leon E. Passmore saw it. He wrote to Miss Williams. They were married here.

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AFRO-AMERICAN NEWS

By James O. Heath.

Rev. D. W. Meadows, of Huntington, was in the city Monday en route to Thomas, W. Va.

James Ellis, of Montgomery, W. Va., addressed the colored voters Thursday evening at the Republican club rooms on Jackson street.

Mrs. Lina Freeland left Tuesday morning for Pittsburgh where she has accepted a position as demonstrator in the Kaufman department store.

There will be a masquerade dance at the Casino Tuesday evening, October 31st. Music will be furnished by a Clarksburg orchestra.

Mme. Denby, of Boston, sang to a large audience Thursday evening at the Trinity M. E. church.

Comfortable Homes Help.

The better farm home is not a panacea for all ills of dissatisfaction with farm life. There will be farm boys and farm girls who will want to take up other professions than tilling the soil. The problem, says the department of agriculture, is not to force them to stay on the farm, but to make conditions good enough there that they may make an intelligent choice.

Explaining Catastrophe. A five-year-old boy was joyously driving his pet dog hitched to a small wagon one afternoon last week. A woman passing said, "That is a fine horse and wagon you have." "It's a train and an engine," testily replied the child. Returning two hours later the woman saw the boy sitting on the sidewalk beside the broken wagon. "Oh, what has happened?" said she sympathetically. "The engine saw a cat," briefly replied the boy.

Try a Cup of Coffee for Headache

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